

## CLAIMS

1. An application launcher testing system, comprising:

a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server in communication with an application launcher, wherein the HTTP server receives a query for a test application

5 from the application launcher;

a status server in communication with the test application, the status server receiving a test status from the test application; and

a test monitor in communication with the HTTP server and the status server, wherein the test monitor receives a query status from the HTTP server, and wherein the

10 test monitor receives the test status from the status server.

2. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the application launcher launches the test application based on a response to the query from the HTTP server.

15 3. A system as recited in claim 2, wherein the application launcher exits after launching the test application.

4. A system as recited in claim 3, wherein the test monitor receives an exit code from the application launcher, the exit code indicating a launch status of the test application launch.

5 5. A system as recited in claim 4, wherein the test monitor combines the query status, the test status, and the launch status into a report.

6. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the query status indicates the status of the query received from the application launcher.

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7. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the test monitor starts the status server and the application launcher.

8. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the test monitor starts the HTTP  
15 server.

9. A method for testing an application launcher, comprising the operations of:

launching a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server, a status server and an application launcher, wherein application launcher queries the HTTP server for a test application;

launching the test application using the application launcher;

5            returning a test status from the test application to the status server; and

returning the test status, a query status, and a launch status to a test monitor.

10           10.    A method as recited in claim 9, further comprising the operation of combining the test status, the query status, and the launch status into a report using the test monitor.

11.    A method as recited in claim 9, wherein the query status indicates a status of a query received from the application launcher.

15           12.    A method as recited in claim 9, wherein the test status indicates a status of tests performed by the test application.

13.    A method as recited in claim 9, wherein the launch status indicates a status of the application launch operation.

14. A method as recited in claim 9, wherein the application launcher uses a uniform resource locator (URL) to launch the test application.

5 15. A method as recited in claim 9, wherein the application launcher exits after launching the test application.

16. A method as recited in claim 15, wherein the application launcher returns an exit code upon exiting, the exit code providing the launch status.

10 17. An application launcher testing system, comprising:

a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) server in communication with an application launcher, wherein the HTTP server receives a query for a test application from the application launcher, and wherein the application launcher launches the test application based on a response to the query from the HTTP server;

a status server in communication with the test application, the status server receiving a test status from the test application; and

a test monitor in communication with the HTTP server and the status server, wherein the test monitor receives a query status from the HTTP server, the test status from the status server, and an exit code from the application launcher, the exit code

indicating a launch status of the test application launch, and wherein the test monitor combines the query status, the test status, and the launch status into a report.

18. A system as recited in claim 17, wherein the query status indicates the  
5 status of the query received from the application launcher.

19. A system as recited in claim 17, wherein the test monitor starts the status  
server and the application launcher.

20. A system as recited in claim 17, wherein the test monitor starts the HTTP  
10 server.